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RICARDO CORTEZ

RICARDO CORTEZ OR JUST HIS DOUBLE?

"MYSTERY" MAN AT HOTEL CECIL SAME WHEREVER HE GOES

Is Ricardo Cortez in the Colony, or is he not?

Residing at the Cecil Hotel is an American gentleman registered as Mr. M. Murry Left, who bears a striking resemblance to the famous American film star, but who is persistent in his denials that he is, although he admits he has been recognised as such at the Railway Hotel, in Tokyo, in Shanghai and again on the s.s. Ranpura, on which he travelled down to the Colony from the North.

This morning a representative of the "China Mail" interviewed the alleged Mr. Ricardo Cortez in Room 49 of the Cecil Hotel, having previously been announced by the Room Boy as "pless representative!" "Wai, doggone it, I've been mistaken again, but come in and take a seat. I know what you're up here for and I might as well tell you now that I'm not the world famous film star, Mr. Ricardo Cortez, although I've been taken for him practically everywhere. I've been."

He introduced himself as Mr. M. Murry Left, travelling round the world on a pleasure cruise, having left California about four months ago.

PULLING A GAG?

"It is strange that you gentlemen should have thought that I am the film actor and I am wondering if anyone is pulling a gag on me."

"I was first recognised as the film star in Tokyo and totally unaware of the fact, was photographed." (Continued on Page 10).

FROST IN SOUTH CALIFORNIA

Heavy Loss Suffered On Orange Farms

Los Angeles, To-day. Freezing weather in Southern California, with the lowest temperatures in the past thirty years, has resulted in disastrous losses to orange-growers.

In spite of artificial heating of orange groves fifteen per cent. of the total fruit crop may be spoiled, representing a loss of \$4,000,000. —Reuter.

WILD WATERS RENDER 125,000 HOMELESS

Flood havoc in the United States is rapidly assuming the character of a great national catastrophe.

New menaces are developing hourly as waters steadily rise destroying property on a large scale.

Huge petrol tanks collapsed under weight of water in Indiana, and thousands of gallons of petrol are now swirling through Aurora with a terrible possibility of it catching fire and sweeping through the city in a great rush of flames.

"The greatest flood on record" is predicted in Cincinnati by the Government meteorologist as the swollen waters of the Ohio River to-day rose above the record level of the disastrous flood of 1834.

Twelve States are affected already and 125,000 people are homeless as a result of the swirling waters overflowing their banks.

Telephone, telegraph, rail and road communications are disrupted but the meagre reports which have filtered out so far tell a tale of devastated villages.

POWER STATION MENACE

The electricity supply of the two great cities of Cincinnati and Louisville is expected to be cut off at any hour. Owing to the rising waters curfew has been announced in order to prevent looting of flooded shops in the darkness.

Kentucky is inundated and, although 2,500 convicts manned the pumps of a prison in the State in relays, the warden said he feared the prison would have to be evacuated.

AURORA PERIL

Huge petrol storage tanks were wrecked by the floods at Aurora, in Indiana, and thousands of gallons of inflammable liquid floated through the city.

A desperate telephone call reached the outside world from there.

a Red Cross worker there last night. "Two-thirds of the town are submerged," he said, "and there is a danger of floating fire from petrol. Food is running short and we are having to ration our drinking water."

HELPLESS WATCHERS

Hundreds of helpless watchers saw a wooden house floating downstream near Cincinnati — five people clutching desperately to the structure were shrieking for help.

Pittsburgh saw the floodwaters lap the Golden Triangle, the famous business district, but the authorities said that unless there were heavy rains there would be no repetition there of the terrible flood of 1936 in which 57 lives were lost.

GOVERNMENT EFFORTS

The Federal Government has rushed fifty Coastguard cutters and a seaplane from the Great Lakes to assist in rescue work while naval reservists and national guardsmen have been mobilised in the worst of the stricken areas.

Eight thousand men on work relief have been ordered to engage themselves in salvage work.—Reuter.

DRAMATIC S. O. S. CALLS IN NORTH SEA GALE

Oslo, To-day.

With the gale still raging with undiminished violence, another drama of the sea was unfolded yesterday with the receipt of a dramatic S.O.S. message from the Norwegian steamer "Karni" in the North Sea.

The message stated that the "hatches are broken down and we will only be able to keep afloat for a couple of hours." Several steamers are rushing to the rescue of the ill-fated ship which, with its crew of 20, is at the same spot in the North Sea where the Norwegian steamer Tryan foundered this week with a loss of 19 lives.

"SITUATION WORSE"

Anxious listeners later received another urgent wireless message from the "Karni" stating that the situation had become worse.

The captain, reported the second S. O. S. message, had sustained a broken thigh while several other members of the crew were injured.

The nearest steamer is thought to be at least five hours distant and, unless a miracle happens, the "Karni" is doomed.

Another S. O. S. has been received from a Swedish steamer which is battling against heavy seas somewhere in the North Sea.—Reuter.

NEW OFFICERS IN H.K.V.D.C.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve the following promotions in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from 22nd January, 1937:—

Lance Sergeant John Watson to be Second Lieutenant.

Bombardier George Frederick Rees to be Second Lieutenant.

In a raid carried out by police under Detective-Inspector Elston on a hut in old Kowloon City, half the proceeds of the sensational motor bandit robbery in Shanghai Street this week, when the loot was about \$6,000, was recovered. One man was arrested.



Mussolini and his two sons Vittorio (right) and Bruno. It is reported to-day that Duce has consented to Bruno's entry in the air race from New York to Paris nonstop.

Cruiser Collides, Sinks Ship

Gibraltar, To-day.

A collision between a Soviet Russian steamer, alleged to be carrying a cargo of munitions for the Madrid Government, and the loyalist cruiser "Jaime First" was announced to-day. The Soviet steamer sank immediately after the collision, the entire cargo and crew of 29 being lost.—Trans-Ocean.

BATTLING OUT STRIKE IN NEWSPAPERS

ROOSEVELT ISSUES AN APPEAL

STUBBORNNESS ON BOTH SIDES

Washington, To-day.

What is interpreted as an appeal to both sides not to fight out strike issues in the press nor to take up publicly irreconcilable positions from which they cannot retreat without loss of face, was made by President Roosevelt in a press conference at the White House yesterday.

"I think that in the interests of peace there come moments when statements, conversations and headlines are not in order," the chief executive told the assembled newsmen.

Mr. John Henry Lewis, leader of the Committee for Industrial Organisation, to-day denied that he had asked President Roosevelt to intervene in the labour dispute but expressed confidence that the President will "do what is necessary."

GENERAL MOTORS' ACTION

Efforts are to be made by the General Motors Corporation to reopen as many as possible of the closed plants, in order to provide work for "employees who are out of work through no fault of their own," according to an official statement.—Reuter.

PROTEST ACKNOWLEDGED

London, To-day.

Formal acknowledgment of the protest has now been made by the insurgent authorities in Spain in regard to the protest concerning interference with the British cargo steamer, Bramhill, off Cape Tarifa, on 12th January.—British Wireless.

BRUNO TO FLY ATLANTIC

IL DUCES SON IN FRENCH RACE

Paris, To-day.

Bruno Mussolini, the second son of the Duce, will participate in the New York to Paris air race which has been announced by the French Air Ministry in connection with the anniversary of Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh's epic flight to Paris, according to the newspaper "Intransigent."

It will be recalled that Bruno Mussolini and his brother, Vittorio, participated as aviators in the Abyssinian war.

The Duce, according to the paper, has declared his approval of his son's intentions to enter the race.—Trans-Ocean.

PLANE DISASTER IN CHANNEL FEARED

FAILS TO REACH PARIS

ANOTHER'S LUCKY ESCAPE

London, To-day.

Fears are being held for the occupants of one of two aeroplanes carrying newspapers, which left Croydon yesterday morning for Paris, and which has not yet reached its destination.

The plane is much overdue and it is thought that it was forced down into the English Channel and there destroyed by the violent storm which is raging.

On board the missing plane were the pilot and a wireless operator.

The second plane had a narrow escape from disaster, only the jettisoning of half its cargo of newspapers enabling the machine to turn back and land on the Southern coast.—Trans-Ocean.

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

The forthcoming wedding of Mr. Harold Morris Swann, an engineer of No. 175, Sochow Road, Shanghai, and Miss Betty Lillian Burge, who is en route to the Colony by the s.s. Gneissau, has been announced.

Submarine Caught In Net

Gibraltar, To-day.

A submarine was caught yesterday in a net placed in Santander harbour by the Madrid Government as a means of defence against rebel submarines, according to a report from Bilbao.—Trans-Ocean.

NEW BRITISH AIR BASE FOR CYPRUS

BIG SCHEME IN PROJECT

GARRISON TO BE REINFORCED

London, To-day.

Plans have been drawn up for construction of an aerodrome and military barracks on the island of Cyprus, which will become the chief base in the future of units of the Royal Air Force stationed in the Eastern Mediterranean.

This is according to press reports in London, which add that the aerodrome, which will have an underground hangar for 50 planes, will be built at Nicosia, the capital of the island.

The garrison of Cyprus will be considerably strengthened, state the reports. The present garrison, which consists merely of an infantry detachment of 175 men, will be increased to 1,000. The personnel of the Air Force stationed on the island will be considerably augmented in like manner.

MANOEUVRES SHORTLY

The aircraft-carriers of the British Navy will shortly hold manoeuvres in the waters off the island.

The British press points out that the action is due to the initiative of the Secretary of State for Air, Sir Samuel Hoare, who, following his inspection tour in the Eastern Mediterranean last year, declared that Cyprus was eminently suitable for the establishment of an air base in view of its central location.—Trans-Ocean.

FEARS FOR POPE

Refuses To Invite Another Doctor

Vatican City, To-day.

The general condition of Pope Pius is unchanged but it is feared that he is gradually losing his strength. He took some sleep this morning as result of a sedative.

Cardinal Pacelli is pressing for another doctor to be called in for consultation but the Pope firmly refuses.—Reuter's Bulletin.

ROYAL WEDDING IN DENMARK

Cousin Of Two Kings Married

Copenhagen, To-day.

Thousands braved bitter weather to get a glimpse yesterday evening of the wedding of Princess Alexandrine Louise and Count Luitpold of Munich. The bride, who is 28, is a niece of both King Christian of Denmark and King Haakon of Norway.—Reuter.

BRITON IN LISBON ARRESTED

BOMBING OUTRAGE ROUND-UP

HEAVY GUARD IN STREETS

Lisbon, To-day.

Strong bodies of police are now guarding all public buildings and strategic points in the capital following the explosion of a bomb in the Ministry of War on Thursday night.

Five persons were injured in the explosion, which entirely destroyed the staircase between the first and second floor.

Assisting the police is the "Portuguese Legion," a recently created organisation of patriotic youths.

ENGLISHMAN ARRESTED

Numerous persons suspected to have been connected with terrorists have been arrested, including some foreigners, among whom are one Englishman and four Spaniards.

It is understood that the arrest of all Communist leaders is imminent.

ANTI-TERRORIST

Demonstrations against terrorism took place in the city yesterday. Students of Lisbon University gathered before the Ministry of Education, where the first explosion occurred, and cheered Marshal Carmona, the Portuguese dictator.—Trans-Ocean.

GRENA GREEN TO BE STRIPPED OF ROMANCE

London, To-day.

Prohibition of irregular marriages, contracted over the blacksmith's anvil at Greta Green, which since the middle of last century has acquired a spurious air of romance as a scene of runaway marriages, is recommended in the report of the departmental committee on the law of Scotland concerning marriages.

The introduction of a new and simple form of civil service and the conferring of powers on a number of churches, in addition to the Church of Scotland, to proclaim marriages and issue banns are also proposed in the report, which declared that the present Scottish law, which permits marriage to be contracted without any intimation or ceremony of procedure is indefensible.—British Wireless.

HUNT FOR PLANE RUNNER

BURGOS JUNTA'S SEA ACTIVITY

SEVEN STEAMERS SEIZED

San Sebastian, To-day.

An important phase of the Spanish civil war is now being waged at sea, says a communique issued by the insurgent general headquarters.

The Burgos Government has ordered ships of the rebel fleet to stop and inspect all vessels circulating in insurgent waters. Seven Government vessels, adds the communique, have been captured and taken to Cesta, where they will be armed for service as auxiliary units in the insurgent fleet.—Reuter.



Sporting Page



POLICE TO MEET FOOTBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

CHINESE AGAIN AT FULL STRENGTH

RECREIO ENCOUNTER SAINTS

(By "REFEREE")

IN a programme of six First Division League soccer matches scheduled for this afternoon, three games stand out above the rest. The Rifles, who are at present at the top of the division, should improve their position when they meet a greatly weakened Navy side, while South China "A", who are striving hard to stage a comeback after a comparatively poor first half of the season, should secure both points from the Police in their return match.

GOVERNOR'S CUP GAME

Unofficial Trial For Interport

The outstanding soccer game to-morrow, will be the First Round of the Governor's Cup competition between the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation and the Hong Kong Football Association at Caroline Hill at 3.30 p.m.

This competition was started five years ago with the object of maintaining and improving the friendly relations between the Federation and the Association, but this year greater importance is attached to this game as it is now looked upon as an unofficial Interport trial.

The Association team was chosen by the Management Committee, and the selectors of the Interport team are, fortunately, members of that Committee.

The following are the teams: H.K.F.A.—Fus. Rowlands (Army); A. V. Gosano (Recreio) and Bug Stevens (Army); R. North (Police); N. Beltrao (Recreio) and A. B. Bhas (Kowloon); E. M. Erwin (Army); D. Leonard (St. Joseph's); D. Knox (Kowloon); Wilson (Club) and B. I. Beckford (Club). H.K.A.A.F.—Pan Kwong (S. China "A"); Lee Tin-sang (S. China "A"); and Tam Kong-pak (S. China "A"); Leung Wing-chin (S. China "A"); Wong Mei-shum (S. China "A"); and Lee Kwok-wai (S. China "A"); Yeung Shui-yick (S. China "B"); Lai Shiu-wing (S. China "A"); Lee Wai-tong (S. China "A"); Fung King-cheong (S. China "A"); Cheong Moon-wing (Athletic).

SHANGHAI LADIES HOCKEY XI

Tentative Programme Arranged

Shanghai, January 18. The following players, it is learned, will represent Shanghai in the Interport women's hockey match for the White trophy, which will be played for in Hong Kong over the Chinese New Year holidays provided the Shanghai Ladies' Hockey Association are in a financial position to sponsor the tour.

Goal—F. Dumas; L. Carter; Backs—K. V. H. (1) and S. B. (2); Left half—P. F. (1) and S. B. (2); Right half—E. B. (1) and S. B. (2); Forward—D. B. (1) and S. B. (2). The tentative programme of the tour is as follows: January 18, 19—N.C.D.H.



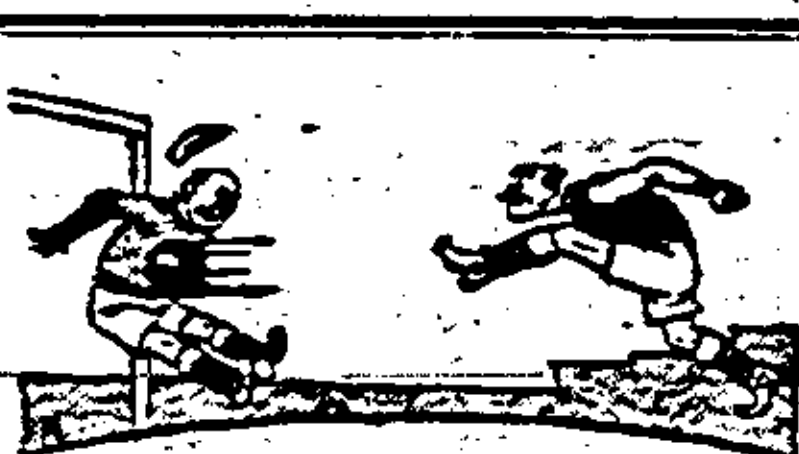
J. Bowerman, left, and P. Blix, right, who visited the Colony last year with the Shanghai Interport Rugby team, are still maintaining their fine form and are practically certain for the match against the visiting Hong Kong Interport team.

NAVY FACED WITH STIFF HURDLE

DEFEAT AT HANDS OF RIFLES EXPECTED

(By "ROVER")

THE only game of any interest in this week's Second and Third Division soccer programme is the encounter between the Navy, the champions and the present leaders, and the Royal Ulster Rifles to-morrow.



"ROVER'S" FOOTBALL FORECAST

The following is "Rover's" forecast for the week-end fixtures, giving the favoured teams in pronounced black letters:

To-day	
FIRST DIVISION	
South China "A" v. Police	(Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)
Eastern v. Club	(Causeway Bay, 4 p.m.)
Rifles v. Navy	(Chatham Road, 4 p.m.)
Kowloon v. South China "B"	(Kowloon, 4 p.m.)
Athletic v. Kowloon Chinese	(Sookmoo, 4 p.m.)
St. Joseph's v. Recreio	(King's Park, 4 p.m.)
SECOND DIVISION	
Lyman v. Stonecutters	(Valley, 4 p.m.)
Eastern v. Club	(Causeway Bay, 2.30 p.m.)
Kowloon v. South China	(Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)
Athletic v. Kowloon Chinese	(Sookmoo, 2.30 p.m.)
THIRD DIVISION	
Seafarths v. Fulfillers	(Happy Valley, 2.30 p.m.)
St. Joseph's v. Recreio	(King's Park, 2.30 p.m.)
To-morrow	
GOVERNOR'S CUP COMPETITION	
Chinese Federation v. Hong Kong Football Association	(Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)
SECOND DIVISION	
Navy v. Rifles	(Causeway Bay, 2.30 p.m.)
THIRD DIVISION	
Medicals v. Kowloon Rifles	(Prince Edward Road, 4 p.m.)
Ordnance v. Lyman	(Sookmoo, 4 p.m.)
Kwong Wah v. Service Corps	(Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)

ALLEN BEATS BRADMAN

SQUASH RACKETS DUEL

Sydney, December 28. G. O. Allen has won another "Test" here—his third in a fortnight. This time, however, it was a squash rackets challenge match, in which he met Don Bradman, Australia's cricket captain. Conceding seven points, Allen won by 10-9, 10-8.

Bradman had some compensation for this defeat, however, when he beat R. W. V. Rodin by 2-1 in a squash rackets match. The result of three points later, conceding three points, defeated Rodin by one game and one point. Bradman, the Sydney sports expert, by four games to 2—Rodin.

The Navy beat the Rifles early in the season by the odd goal in five, but the latter reversed the result in the Third Round of the Junior Shield last Wednesday. The Navy team will be strengthened by the return of Wride, who was recently reinstated into the Junior side, and he should do well at inside-right, where he will be partnered by Le Page, another former senior player, and one who understands his style of play well.

Hutchby will be at centre-half, and will have Jones on his left, while in the forward line Spencer will be in his usual position at inside-left, and either Brown or Anderson will be in the centre-forward position.

Boyd, the Rifles' inside right, is undoubtedly a player above the standard of the Junior Division. He not only combines with the other forwards but is of the greatest assistance to the defence. Godney is a fast forward, while Miller and McCollough are both speedy wingers who can centre accurately and shoot well. With this forward line, the Rifles should gather the two points and thus place themselves in a challenging position for the championship.

The return encounter between the two Artillery teams should be worth seeing, and in view of the vast improvement shown by Lyman recently, they are favoured to win, though their first meeting ended in a draw of two goals all.

Blackmore, who has played as full-back in several games, will be at right-half, while MacKrell will again be seen between the posts. Bedford and Percival are combining better with Knight in the forward line.

Stonecutters too have been playing good football. Hall in goal, is in great form and has saved his side from many a larger defeat. Oliver and Summer are their outstanding forwards.

The Seafarths registered their first win in the Third Division against St. Joseph's last week, but by their display it is doubtful whether they will be able to extend the Fulfillers' Summer and Ray are two sound forwards, while the Fulfillers have Luntin, Tyler and Morgan, all of whom are in the best of form.

Augusta, Georgia, January 17. Eighteen-year-old Patty Berg today won the Women's Titleholders golf tournament. The U. S. amateur champion shot the final round in 78, one stroke over par for men, for a total of 249 for the 72 holes—United Press.

ARMY TO TEST COLONY FIFTEEN AT VALLEY TO-DAY

RICE EVANS AND DAVIES RETURN TO SIDE

FLOYD AT STAND-OFF-HALF

(By "REFEREE")

TWO important changes have been made in the Army team to meet the Club in the sixth and final Triangular Tournament Rugby encounter, to be played this afternoon on the Club ground, owing to injuries, which have weakened their back division to some extent. This will, however, make no difference to the result of the series as the Club have already won the trophy, but from the point of view of testing the Colony's strength for the forthcoming Interport match against Shanghai, it is likely to prove of great value.

CORRESPONDENCE

CASE FOR LEONARD

ONLY MAN TO LEAD H. K. TEAM

(To The Editor, "China Mail")

Dear Sir,—Be "Double Scotch's" attack on "Scotties" selection of the Hong Kong Interport soccer team, I think that it is unjustified and biased in many ways.

To say that Leonard is not in the same class as Fung King-cheung is not entirely untrue, but then their individual styles are in direct contrast to each other. Whereas Fung is an extreme stylist, and frail in constitution, Leonard is an opportunist, husky, and has lots of stamina, and these qualities are vitally necessary to a leader in an attack, and which was clearly evinced at the Interport game in Shanghai last year, where the local press lauded his work on the field "as a positive thorn to any defence, of his untireless energy, and his artistic control of the ball." These are but a few points in favour of Leonard to Fung.

It is time that the local press and the H.K.F.A. woke up to realise the possibilities of Leonard as a real asset to Hong Kong Football. Given the proper support, Leonard is undoubtedly the leader for the Hong Kong side against invaders from any port in the East.

Apart from this rather unnecessary, and nevertheless, very true account of the facts of local soccer, I would suggest the following as the strongest possible team for the Hong Kong Interport:

(Goal) Rowlands; (Backs) Lee Tin-sang and A. V. Gosano; (Halves) Wride (if possible) Bedford and V. Costa; (Forwards) Yeung Shui-yick, Lee Wai-tong, Leonard, Fung, King-cheung, Bedford or Tay Guan-hong.

I must say that the only surprising inclusion in that of V. Costa. But there is a real worth watching, and if he is placed he would be a great help both in the attack and defence.

With Davies and Rice-Evans back in the Army three-quarter line as centres, the Army back division will now not be lacking in thrust, although Floyd did his best in previous matches. Without backing, however, he failed in his attempts to save the Army team from repeated defeats.

Fus. Barry, the Army full-back, has unfortunately been injured and will not be able to play this afternoon, and his position will be filled by Lieut. B. D. MacLagan, of the Seafarths Highlanders, who played for the Army "A" fifteen last Saturday against the Club "A". MacLagan has a safe pair of hands and runs well, and I believe that he used to play as a three-quarter. His only fault at the moment seems to be his kicking—he has not the length and accuracy of Barry.

RAINEY INJURED

Pte. Rainey, who was to have made his debut as the stand-off-half in place of L/Cpl. Lewis, who was dropped, was injured in a practice game and will not play after all. As a result, Spr. Boyling has again been brought into the Army back division as left-wing three-quarter, and Floyd will once again move up to stand-off-half. Preece will again be seen as the Army scrum-half.

There is one other change in the Army team, Fus. Chaney replacing L/Cpl. (58) Davies in the second row of the pack. Harrison will not be hooking but will be seen in his usual berth as a wing-forward. The Army pack, with the one change, is the same as before.

The Club first fifteen remains unaltered from Thursday's published team and, in spite of Bidwell's absence, presents a formidable line-up.

The main match will commence at 4 p.m., sharp and will be preceded by an "A" fifteen match in which the Club will oppose H.M.S. Berwick.

SELECTED TEAMS

The following are some of the teams: Club 1st XV—J. P. Wainman, G. K. Chadwick, H. van Leeuwen, W. E. Grievs, E. K. Munro, A. H. P. Butler, and J. L. Bonner; A.F. Walkden, W. E. Pears, E. P. Humphreys, L. H. Bradford, A. W. Holden, E. O. M. Deane, K. A. Watson, and J. A. Redman; Club "A" XV—M. H. Curtis, D. Ryan, E. H. Foster, A. F. Read, and R. V. Hopkins; 2nd XV—J. E. Henderson, J. H. Pratt, J. S. Dunn, W. W. Schmalz, B. Ryan, J. G. Deane, J. Smith, W. H. Curtis, and J. A. Redman; Army 1st XV—Lieut. R. D. MacLagan, Pte. Jones, L/Cpl. Davies, L. J. A. M. Jones, and Pte. Boyling; 2nd XV—Lieut. R. D. MacLagan, Pte. Jones, L/Cpl. Davies, L. J. A. M. Jones, and Pte. Boyling; 3rd XV—Lieut. R. D. MacLagan, Pte. Jones, L/Cpl. Davies, L. J. A. M. Jones, and Pte. Boyling; 4th XV—Lieut. R. D. MacLagan, Pte. Jones, L/Cpl. Davies, L. J. A. M. Jones, and Pte. Boyling.

TABLE TO-DAY

F. V. L. N. A. 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TWO VITAL CRICKET ENCOUNTERS TO-DAY

H.K.C.C. v K.C.C. IN BOTH DIVISIONS

INDIANS WITHOUT

A. H. MADAR

ARMY TO MEET NAVY

(By "ADREM")

TO-DAY'S programme in the Senior Cricket League promises to be more than usually interesting. Of the four matches down for decision, the big game is undoubtedly the H.K.C.C.—K.C.C. encounter on the former's ground, which should have a big bearing on the final standings in the championship.

Kowloon will be at full strength, while H.K.C.C. will be strengthened by the inclusion of "Peanut" Marshall, who arrived from Shanghai yesterday morning, and P. C. Frost, who has been promoted from the junior team following several very good displays in the last two League games.

R. L. Holden, an absentee last week, is back in the side and together with Bowker, Alec Pearce, Owen Hughes and Wodehouse, should give the Kowloon batsmen quite a lot to think about.

Kowloon were rather fortunate last week against Craikengower and were saved from defeat by the unexpectedly fine displays of F. A. Broadbridge and Robbie Lee after the recognised batsmen had failed. On the face of it, I shall be very surprised if the champions do better than make a draw of it.

GOOD GAME ANTICIPATED
The much improved Civil Service team should give the Indians a good fight at Happy Valley. Last week they gave the H.K.C.C. quite a fright and with a little more luck might have collected full points. The I.R.C. will be considerably weakened by the absence of A. H. Madar, who has dislocated a finger.

A. E. Minu, to date, has successfully carried the brunt of the attack since Pereira was forced to give up the game, but he has received quite a deal of assistance from "A. H." In view of the Indians' fine record this season, my forecast of a win for the Civil Service will probably be the subject of much criticism, but I think that if a result is arrived at the Valley team will obtain it.

A match which has no bearing on the League, but will, nevertheless, prove very keen, will take place at King's Park, where the Army try conclusions with the Senior Service. Although the Navy have lost most of their best players, I expect the Army to win, although Capt. Whitmarsh may spring a surprise. I notice with interest, that several Officers of the Seaforth Highlanders are playing for the Army, and it will be most interesting to see how they fare.

Craigengower are at home to the University and, although they should win, they will by no means have matters all their own way.

BOLD BID
The most interesting fixture in the Second Division will be the clash between the junior teams of the K.C.C. and the H.K.C.C. The former are making a bold bid for honours this year and, assisted, as they are, by several players who have performed with credit in the best cricket in the Colony, should have no difficulty in winning.

The Police are playing the junior champions, at Sookmoo, and with Baker and Pope in such fine form, will probably win easily. The Indians have had a certain amount of difficulty in raising eleven players and have enlisted the services of "S. A." and "H. D." Rumliah, the tennis players. It is interesting to note that Sirdar Rumliah, in his younger days, was considered quite a useful wicket-keeper, while "H. D." made his mark as a batsman of the stone-wall variety, besides being a brilliant fielder. The remaining matches should result in easy wins for Craikengower, Navy and Army.

TO-DAY'S LEAGUE PROGRAMME
First Division
Civil Service v Indian R. C.
Craikengower v University
H.K.C.C. v Kowloon C. C.
Navy v Army
Second Division
Kowloon C. C. v Craikengower



Cpl. Harrison, above, the Army wing-forward, has been one of the Colony's outstanding Rugby players of the season.

University v Craikengower

Recreio v Navy

Army "A" v Civil Service

Indian R. C. v Police R. C.

PROBABLE TEAMS

Kowloon C. C. 1st XI:

F. Goodwin, E. C. Fincher, E. P. Fincher, R. E. Lee, N. A. E. Mackay, S. Jex, B. D. Lay, C. B. E. Sargent, A. W. Ramsey, F. A. Broadbridge, D. J. N. Anderson. Reserve: T. A. Madar.

Kowloon C. C. 2nd XI:

A. A. Dand, W. Mulcahy, W. L. McKennie, K. M. Baxter, F. I. Zimmerman, W. C. Hung, E. Baldwin, R. T. Broadbridge, S. A. Gray, G. A. V. Hall and G. C. Burnett.

Indian R. C. 1st XI:

A. E. Abbas, Y. el Arculli, A. R. Kitchell, K. Nazari, M. E. Madar, A. E. Minu, S. A. Ismail, A. H. Rumliah, F. S. A. Curreen, M. el Arculli, A. M. Rumliah.

Indian R. C. 2nd XI:

A. A. Aziz, Y. T. Barma, M. I. Razack, A. K. Minu, K. M. Rumliah, S. A. Rumliah, H. D. Rumliah, A. Rumliah, A. H. Ismail, M. R. Abbas, A. Bakar.

Craikengower C. C. 1st XI:

D. Hung, A. R. E. Ismail, E. Zimmerman, W. Eapley, F. E. Zimmerman, G. Young, A. E. Rumliah, U. M. Omar, T. Lee, A. K. Ismail and P. J. Alimoria.

Craikengower C. C. 2nd XI:

T. E. Yoeh, A. Zimmerman, W. Hong Sling, G. A. Lee, J. W. Leonard, R. E. Iranee, A. A. Lewis, A. Kitchell, J. L. Youngsaye, A. M. Omar, and W. K. Way.

Hong Kong C. C. 1st XI:

A. W. Hayward, A. G. I. Bowker, F. Marshall, E. B. Neve, R. L. D. Wodehouse, R. D. Gillespie, T. E. Pearce, R. L. Holden, P. C. Frost, H. Owen Hughes and T. A. Pearce.

Hong Kong C. C. 2nd XI:

A. K. Mackenzie, W. Stoker, V. C. Bond, G. A. Stewart, F. A. Dummett, E. Bathurst, W. Wooding, H. A. Murray, E. M. King, N. P. Fox and J. E. Way.

Army:

Major Rawthorne, Capt. Walsh, Capt. Mackintosh-Walker, Capt. Ryland, Lt. Garthwaite, Lt. Barron, Lt. The Hon. G. E. Glegg-Hill, Lt. MacLagan, Lt. Prichard, S. Q. M. S. Warr, Cpl. Jackson.

Golden Miller's Boy Jockey

Hobbs May Be Given National Mount

There is a possibility that Bruce Hobbs, who at 16 is the youngest professional jockey, may ride Miss Dorothy Paget's famous steeple-chaser, Golden Miller, in the Grand National in March.

Hobbs, whose brilliant performance has astonished the racing world, rode his first winner as an amateur at Wolverhampton last March.

On December 28 he had his first mount as a professional in the Wolverhampton Handicap Hurdle on Mr. T. Brown's Roach, a 100-8 outsider, and won by two lengths. He also won the Open Three-Year-Old Hurdle on Mr. J. Shaw's Zebra.

This brought the total of his successes to 12.



George Hill, left, is still a doubtful starter for the Club in their First Division League match against Eastern Athletic this afternoon. E. I. Bickford, right, the Club left-winger, is almost a certainty for the Colony's Interpart team and will be seen out in both this afternoon's League match and in the Governor's Cup match to-morrow.

BIG BRAUN CUP GAME TO-DAY

C. B. S. "A" FAVOURED TO BEAT H.K. LADIES

(By "ADREM")

THE "tit-bit" of to-day's Ladies' Hockey programme is the clash in the Braun Cup competition between the Hong Kong Ladies and the Central British School "A" team. The schoolgirls have recently lost several of their best players, notably Miss Andre Martin and her sister, Miss Helene Martin, but they have filled their vacancies with members of their "B" side, and the newcomers are expected to give very good showings.

This game will develop into a battle between youth and impetuosity on one side, and experience on the other, and I rather think youth will be served.

In the Caer Clark Cup League, the H. K. Ladies should have no difficulty in beating the C.B.A. Ladies, who have been most disappointing to date, while St. Andrew's, following their fine showing in the Pearce Cup, should beat Recreio Ladies.

The remaining junior games should result in easy wins for Diocesan Schoolgirls and the Central British Schoolgirls "B" team.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME
The following is to-day's programme:

Caer Clark Cup League

H.K. Ladies v C.B.A. Ladies (U.S.R.C. 3 p.m.)

Recreio Ladies v St. Andrew's (Police Training School, 2.45 p.m.)

Braun Cup League

H.K. Ladies v C.B.S. "A" (E. Valley, 3 p.m.)

C.B.A. Ladies v C.B.S. "B" (C.B.A. ground, 3 p.m.)

Diocesan G. S. v "A" Ladies (Y.M.C.A. 2.45 p.m.)

SELECTED TEAMS

The following are some of the teams for to-day:

St. Andrew's—Mrs. R. Rose, Miss G. A. White and Miss R. Stephenson; Miss J. Humphreys, Miss J. Wong and Miss F. Best; Miss F. Wong, Miss M. Rosa, Miss P. Gittins, Miss I. Gittins and Miss J. Broadbridge.

Recreio—Miss E. Barrois; Miss O. Botelho and Mrs. Silva; Mrs. L. Silva, Miss E. M. Xavier and Miss P. Gomes; Miss E. Remedios, Miss M. Rosa, Miss C. Silva, Miss A. Alves and Miss M. P. Rosa.

"A" Ladies Juniors—Miss J. Waller, Mrs. Bond and Mrs. S. Slater; Miss R. Ingram, Miss Brown and Mrs. Kemp; Miss E. Holloway, Miss L. Murray, Miss V. Bradbury, Miss B. Bloom and Miss J. Syrik. Reserve: Miss P. George.

H.K. Ladies 2nd XI—S. Baskett, M. Sleep and G. Swan; Mrs. J. Locke, E. Smalley and B. Page; L. Bell, J. E. M. Smalley, M. Weir and V. Blackburn.

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E. I. Bickford, right, the Club left-winger, is almost a certainty for the Colony's Interpart team and will be seen out in both this afternoon's League match and in the Governor's Cup match to-morrow.

FOOTBALL MARKSMEN

The following are the leading goal-scorers in the English Football League up to and including December 29:

Division I

Lewis (Grimsby) 17 Carter (Sunderland) 13

McClatchy (Brentford) 17 Steele (Stoke) 13

Dean (Everton) 16 Gurney (Sunderland) 12

Drake (Arsenal) 14 Doherty (Manch. C.) 12

Glover (Grimsby) 14

Division II

Bowers (Leicester) 24 Dodds (Sheff. U.) 14

Morrison (Spur) 21 Cairns (Newcastle) 12

Finan (Blackpool) 20 O'Callaghan (Leicester) 12

Martin (Notts F.) 15

Division III (South)

Payne (Luton) 22 Dickinson (Southend) 12

Cookson (Sunderland) 18 Stephens (Brighton) 12

Allen (Northampton) 17 Watson (Gillingham) 12

Riley (Bournemouth) 15 Williams (Exeter) 12

Division III (North)

Harston (Mansfield) 24 Davis (Oldham) 13

Wrightson (Chester) 23 Mantle (Carlisle) 14

Campbell (Lincoln) 19

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NEW ECONOMIC OFFER

The League of Nations is inviting both Germany and Italy to appoint representatives to a committee which is to study international access to raw materials and upon their replies the peace of Europe may well depend.

It is not over-stating the perils of the present critical situation to predict that without some kind of understanding on economic problems, without some radical revision of the existing controls and barriers, war, sooner or later, is certain.

A considerable time has elapsed since Sir Samuel Hoare, then Foreign Secretary, committed the British Government to a conference on raw materials or at least to an "inquiry" and both Germany and Italy are likely to regard newly inspired activity along these lines at Geneva as somewhat belated. Nevertheless, opportunity now offers, it is part of Germany's plea for understanding that her aspirations are economic and not political or territorial, and refusal to co-operate now would do no particular good to her cause.

There is growing appreciation of the fact that if anything constructive is to be done in the present state of Europe, undeniable economic grievances have to be put in their true perspective and as far as possible redressed on a realistic basis.

It is true, too, that the distribution of raw materials is not nearly so lop-sided as is sometimes suggested. In the last five or six years, for instance, producers of raw materials have been falling over one another to find markets for their surplus stocks at almost any price they would fetch. It is not seriously contended that raw materials have not been available. The difficulty rather has been to find the means of exchange, that, in turn, swinging the issue round to one of access to markets for manufactured products.

There is the rub and the most tantalising problem of the several for which solution is demanded. Palliatives have been tried. The recent Anglo-French-American currency agreement, which brought most of the countries of Europe off the gold standard, was specifically undertaken in the belief that it would contribute appreciably to the clearing of the channels of trade, speed up world economic recovery and thereby automatically lessen the force of the arguments employed to justify, for instance, the Four Year Economic Plan now getting under way in Germany.

The action has largely failed in its objective for reasons not easy to define, though a sharp rise in commodity prices recently may be suggested as a material factor.

Events, indeed, have tended to support the persistent assertion of Dr. Schacht, that mere commercial pacts on the availability of raw materials cannot be regarded as a satisfactory remedy for the peculiar needs of the Reich.

Which is not to argue that there is good ground for refusal by Germany or by Italy or by any other country to get round a table and discuss the alternatives.

Army Recruiting

Candid conversations from the British Government include Cooper's article.

What An Abdication Meant In 1688

INTO the turbid Thames on the night of December 11, 1688, the great seal of England was tossed by a highly nervous man fleeing from his palace in London. It is not recorded that this act was accompanied by any display of dramatics, and we may assume that it was not, for the early kings of England ever were rather lacking in imaginative and theatrical qualities.

His tossing into the river of the great seal and his subsequent flight to France twelve days later constituted the abdication of James II.

With the furore that was recently stirred up by the abdication of King Edward VIII, people may be wondering just what the surrender of the crown may mean and what may be its outcome. There isn't much in history upon which to base predictions, and conditions have changed so greatly over the years that what happened more than two centuries ago may have no bearing at all on the modern example, but we may recall out of the dim past the case of James, who threw away a throne. Women played an important part in the abdication of this monarch of long ago, just as one of that sex was involved in the crisis that led to the sensational retirement of Edward.

James was fond of women. By his first official consort, his secret bride, Anne Hyde, daughter of Edward Hyde, earl of Clarendon, he had eight children, two of whom, Mary and Anne, became queens of England. By his second official consort, Mary Beatrix, late daughter of Alphonso d'Este, duke of Modena, he had seven children, one of whom, James Francis Edward, later became a pretender to the throne. By Arabella Churchill he had three children, two sons and a daughter. And by Catherine Sedley, countess of Dorchester, he had one child, a daughter.

History tells us also that James was no dastard at war, although his final activities in that line ended in ruin for him. He was a man of considerable talent and strength of character in his early years, but toward the last he faded out into an almost complete failure. It is said that he contributed too much of body and spirit to his early life and had little left in reserve when faced with grave crises in his later years.

James was a Stuart, a member of the ruling family of England and a direct descendant of the tragic Mary Queen of Scots. His father, Charles I, lost not only his throne but his head as well, and his brother, Charles II, occupied the throne after Cromwell's experiment had come to a dismal failure. James became king at the age of 51 on February 6, 1685.

complete acknowledgment that the response of the country's manhood to the Army's need for more recruits has not been as ready as the authorities have desired. The Army is, in fact, considerably below establishment and there are hints of important concessions by way of conditions of service and possibly of pay which will render an Army career somewhat more attractive to the intelligent man.

One measure of reform, already introduced, to give rise to a good deal of controversy, is modification of the medical standard. Logic lies in the plan. The standard hitherto has been set exceptionally high so that there have been many rejections. Recognition that men of the A-1 category are not needed for all Army jobs comes as an idea better late than never, though it is difficult to believe that the introduction of "elasticity" will do much to remove Mr. Duff

James started out well as a king, but soon met with difficulties. Severe measures were enforced by him against Scottish dissenters, and privileged posts were given by him to Irish Catholics. In Scotland there was a short-lived rebellion. Soon after that was put down the duke of Monmouth, illegitimate son of Charles II, by his appointments, restored Protestant bishops and heads of colleges, and issued a proclamation pardoning all Protestants against whom charges had been made.

James kept a standing army of 30,000 men ever ready for emergencies. He continued to display favouritism toward those of his faith, which naturally stirred up antagonism among the Protestants. It must be borne in mind that in the seventeenth century people took their religions much more seriously than they do now; that religious tolerance was only a theory then. In June, 1687, the king publicly received the papal nuncio at Windsor two months after his issuance of a declaration of indulgence. He followed this up by endeavouring by every means to convert individual noblemen to his faith. This all roused dislike for him among the Protestants. When in April, 1688, he issued a second declaration of indulgence, and ordered it to be read in all churches, the Protestant bishops protested. William of Orange, son-in-law of James, suspected him of forming an alliance against him with France. William had been in the habit of harbouring James' Protestant foes in Holland. He was irked at the report of a son having been born to

James, a son who, if his claim prevailed, would oust William's wife and from the succession to the throne. During the summer of 1688 William collected troops and transports for an invasion of England. James then became so upset by the threat from Holland that he began making concessions on all sides. He cancelled his Catholic appointments, restored Protestant bishops and heads of colleges, and issued a proclamation pardoning all Protestants against whom charges had been made.

On the night of December 11, as previously mentioned, he stole out of Whitehall palace, dropped the great seal in the Thames as he was crossing the river at Vauxhall, and fled to Sheerness. He changed his mind on December 16 and returned to Whitehall. This time William of Orange was established at Windsor. By William's order James was taken to Rochester, and from there on December 23 he was allowed by William to flee to France. This was the end of his reign.

CHINESE WED

MARRIAGE OF MARSHAL LI CHAI-SUM'S SON

The wedding was solemnised at the Hong Kong Union Church yesterday afternoon, of Miss Ping-I Lee and Mr. Pui-man Li, son of Marshal and Mrs. Li Chai-sum.

The Rev. Dr. James M. Henry, Provost of Lingnan University, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ying Dore Lee, and is a graduate student of the Graduate School of Lingnan University. She specialises in Biology.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Cornell University, U.S.A. He received his master's degree (U.S.) in the same institution. He is now Associate professor of Horticulture at the Lingnan University, Canton. The bridegroom's father was formerly Governor-in-Chief of the Kwangtung and Kwangsi troops.

Two Bridesmaids. The Miss Pei-ha Cheung and Wei-ting So were bridesmaids. The bride was given away in marriage by her father.

Dr. Chin-sam Tsang and Mr. Pui-kam Lee were best men. Appropriate music was rendered on the organ by Miss Alice Lee.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Sphinx Room at the Hotel Cecil where a Chinese ceremony took place. The room was charmingly decorated with flowers in the shape of a horseshoe and a wedding bell.

Later in the evening, a wedding banquet was given at the Kam Ling Restaurant. The honeymoon is being spent in the country home of Mr. Pui-man Li.

Guests At Reception.

At the reception in the Hotel Cecil a most distinguished assembly of guests was present including the Hon. Sir Shoo-jon Chow, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chan, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Major Ho Sai-lai and Mrs. Ho Sai-lai, General Chen Ming-shu, former Chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, Mr. George Hui Chen, General Tsai Ting-wei and General Chiang Kwang-nai (former

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

The Hon. Commander G. F. Hole, R.N. (Retired), Harbour Master in Hong Kong, and Mrs. Hole, are leaving for Home early in March.

The Hong Kong Travel Association acknowledges with thanks the receipt of an additional subscription of \$50, from Messrs Lloyd Triestino.

Passing through Hong Kong on the Ranzura is Mr. F. Fletcher, who has just retired from the firm of Mather and Platt, with whom he has been connected for 50 years. Mr. Fletcher is an old Shanghai hand, having spent 28 years in the Far East.

Among the passengers on the Ranzura are Captain Allen and the officers of the British trawler Cepolis, for many years a familiar ship on the China coast. The Cepolis was recently sold to Japanese yards for breaking up.

The Executive Committee of the Street Sleepers' Shelter Society acknowledges with grateful thanks the following donations:—The Board of Directors, Tung Wah Hospital \$50; H. K. University Christian Union \$25; Mrs. W. J. Tutchter (Royalties on "Gardening in Hong Kong") \$15. Donations may be sent to Miss R. Mow Fung, c/o Gilman & Co., Ltd.

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James' abandonment of the throne was accepted by the people as an abdication. It was parliament's sanction that gave to William and Mary a throne with a more enduring title than that of right divine.

A convention met in London and, after publishing a declaration of right, resolved that James had abdicated the crown. In February, 1689, William of Orange and Mary were crowned king and queen of England.

It is difficult to understand today how a father and a daughter could be other than unselfish toward each other. But in the seventeenth century, as brought out before, things were different. Ambition and greed overcame all family affections and blood ties. Mary, the new queen, was the daughter of the ousted monarch, and her husband, the new king, was the son of the deposed king's sister. Mary was not as bitter toward her father as might be supposed, but William was a hard and determined man.

How great a part Mary had in the taking of the crown from her father has been the subject of no little speculation.

Early in 1701 James was attacked by paralysis. His death came on September 6 of that year. Out of the nearly sixty-eight years of his life he had actually reigned as king of England only three. His last words to his son, the child who had caused so much agitation in England at the time of his birth, were:

"Never put the crown of England into competition with eternal salvation."

So zealous was James during his life that after his death the question of canonization was seriously considered by the Vatican. His remains were buried in the church of St. Edmund in St. Germain, but during the French revolution they were dug up and made away with. The widow, Mary Beatrix d'Este, survived, until 1718, 23 he was allowed by William to flee to France. This was the end of his reign. This was the end of his reign. This was the end of his reign.

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BUSINESSMEN ON GOVERNOR

ALMOST RESENT ACTION OF COLONIAL OFFICE

MR. S. H. DODWELL'S VIEWS

The Committees of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce and China Association gave a tiffin yesterday to Mr. Herbert Phillips, former Consul-General at Canton who has been appointed Consul-General at Shanghai.

The Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, who presided, said:

Mr. Phillips' notable administration has been marked by a far greater degree of that essential co-operation between the British Consulate, the Hong Kong Government and the Hong Kong business community than we have ever had before. This closer relationship in its turn has very materially improved the relations between the two cities, and now, just at the moment when we might reasonably be expecting to reap some concrete benefit from this better understanding, co-operation of a different and mysterious kind comes into play in the Government departments at home, which has resulted in the Foreign Office and the Colonial Office removing, at the same time, their two distinguished representatives in South China, and so appearing to us ordinary business men to be doing their best to undo much of the good which the Treasury did by sending out to us their High Priest of finance and economics, Sir Frederick Leith Ross.

Exceptional Service

I humbly apologise to Mr. Phillips for the shockingly bad taste which permits me to speak in this ironical and almost treasonable way in front of him about the actions of his superiors at home. Nevertheless, in the same breath I express the fervent hope that when he gets home he will repeat my remarks in no uncertain terms in the appropriate quarters. I shall certainly do so myself when I reach England two months later—for what it will be worth—because I most strongly feel, gentlemen, that after fortune has smiled upon us to the extent of blessing us with a Consular servant and a Colonial servant with whom and for whom it has been a real pleasure to work in British interests, and from whom we have received exceptional service, there must surely be something radically wrong with a system which permits them both to be spirited away just at the time when things are getting better, without either by your leave or consultation of any kind whatsoever.

FREE CHURCHES' SUPPORT FOR ARCHBISHOP

United Religious Revival

Full support is expected to be given by other Protestant religious bodies to the campaign inaugurated by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Cosmo Lang, for a "recall to religion" in Coronation year.

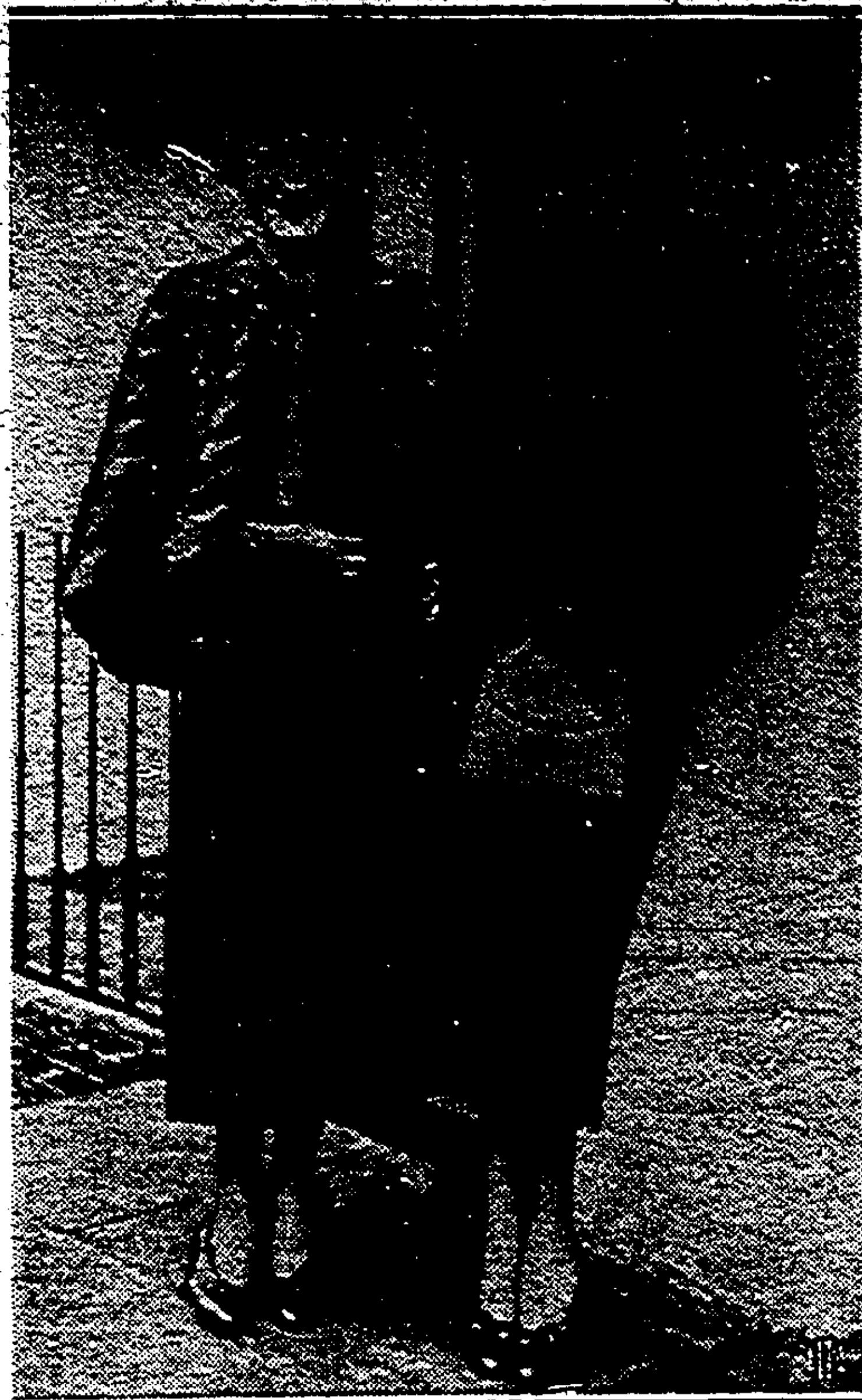
It will not, however, be possible for them to put forward their own programmes until full details are made known of the Archbishop's plan to reawaken the religious consciousness of the Empire by a solemn act of rededication to the Christian life.

The Rev. C. Ensor Walters and Dr. Bond, president and secretary respectively of the Methodist Church Conference, have issued the following statement:

"We know nothing yet of the Archbishop's plan. The president, in his visitations of the churches, has already been calling them to an evangelical revival. In his message through the Methodist publications, which will be issued on Jan. 1, he urges the same thing."

"If the Archbishop is issuing any call to the churches as a whole, he will find the Methodist Church not only sympathetic, but already moving along the same line."

The co-operation of the Congregational Union is also assured. An official of the Salvation Army announced a press representative yesterday that it was preparing a New Year programme to support the Archbishop's appeal.



A new picture of Mrs. Wallis Simpson (left) posed with the ex-Mrs. Erskine Gwynne, Vanderbilt heir.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET

G. A. Harriman's Weekly Report

Messrs. G. A. Harriman & Co.'s weekly share report and market review issued at noon to-day states:

Business continues brisk in mining shares, but local descriptions are rather of colour, for there is no doubt the greater speculative possibilities of gold shares draws operators to the Manila market leaving our local shares neglected and inclined to sag, from neglect.

There has been a moderate volume of business transacted in utility shares, China Lights being favoured up to \$13.70 and the "New" shares dealt in at \$10.35. Sales of Hong Kong Electric were negotiated at \$56 and \$55½, closing. Star Ferries offer at \$93 cum, on publication of the preliminary annual figures, which disclose the final dividend to be \$3, making \$5 for the year (against \$5.50 for 1935). Telephone (old) eased to \$28.75 sales and the "New" to \$10.50. Trams close in better enquiry, after earlier weakness, at \$12.60 buyers.

Hotels have suffered their usual (prior to Settlement) decline with sales down to \$5.50, at which rate there are no buyers. Weak holders, the aftermath of last year's overbought position, keep this stock from responding to the much improved trade in the Colony's hotel business. Realty is a neglected stock around \$4.50 nominal. Lands have again come in for enquiry, and after sales at \$34 can be taken at \$34½. Humphreys have appreciated to \$9.75. Docks have improved to \$14.65, and should go higher. Cements remain idle, either side of \$11. Constructions (new) can be taken at 45 cts. Providents (old) were depressed to \$1.45, but close at \$1.60 buyers \$1.65 sellers, and Wharves improved to \$1.10. Banks have kept fully steady and many shares have been taken from \$18.70 to \$18.77½ cum dividend. Unions continue to advance, and closing transactions were made at \$625. Hong Kong Pines came to business at \$301½ and Cantons at \$307½. Raubs are better, on the slightly increased output, and are again over \$13 bid.

Philippine Mining Shares. East Mindanao have proved the popular favourite and large numbers have been taken up to 73 cts, with closing buyers at 71 cts. Demonstrations improved to \$1.60 and are worth buying on any decline. Gumsos Gold have dropped back to 60 cts, the heavy buying of the previous week, based chiefly on "expectations," have been overdone. "Coco Groves" have rather disappointed the optimists, in shedding 4 cts to \$1.44. Consolidated Mines have been freely dealt in around 7 cents and Ipos are enquired for at 52 cents. Big Wedge appear to have lost a lot

AIR ENGINEER'S FATAL CRASH

Coroner's Inquiry Into Motor Cycle Mishap

That Albert Douglas Harold Hands was travelling between 60 and 70 miles an hour on a motor cycle when he crashed to his death, was the opinion expressed by Sgt. James Scrim at the inquest at Taiipo yesterday when a finding of accidental death was returned by the District Officer North, Mr. J. Barrow.

The late Mr. Hands, who was ground engineer for Imperial Airways, was killed on the Castle Peak Road on December 18.

Dr. G. H. Henry said the cause of death was a fractured skull and laceration of the brain, but in addition he had a compound fracture of the right thigh, comminuted fractures of the shin bones, fractured left thigh and abrasions to both legs, chest, hands and head. The collar-bone was broken as well as six ribs on the right side and three on the left. There was a cut on the chin and ruptures of the spleen, heart and liver. The fracture of the skull extended from ear to ear and the brain was badly lacerated.

Picnic Party

Evidence disclosed that Hands was one of a picnic party comprising Lieut. C. R. C. Hovenden, Capt. E. O. Wanless and Messrs. Colls, Formby and Wood, three being in motor cars and three on motor cycles. The party met at Au Tau bridge and set out in the direction of Castle Peak. Just before reaching On Long the party stopped to enable one of the members to adjust a machine. Hands, however, continued along a straight stretch of roadway, but returned and passed them again, going about 30 miles an hour in the direction of Castle Peak. Shortly after that the party heard the sound of a crash and saw a cloud of dust. They ran to the scene, where they found Hands dead.

MUNITION DUMP DESTROYED

Rebel Air Raid On Madrid Depot

Salamanca, To-day. The town of Valdemorillo was attacked by a squadron of insurgent bombing planes to-day. Many hits were registered by the attacking aircraft on a depot, which was completely destroyed.

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BADMINTON SURPRISES

ST. JOHN'S BEAT CHINESE R.C.

KOWLOON TONG WIN

St. John's caused a by surprise in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League last night when they defeated the Chinese Recreation Club by the odd set in nine, thus also recording their first win since the commencement of the League this season. When they encountered the same team at Causeway Bay on November 26 last, they were beaten by 8 sets to 11.

Kowloon Tong caused another upset in the League when they beat the University by 5 sets to 4 at Kowloon Tong. The winning set was decided between K. S. Liew and Miss J. Choo and H. Kew and Mrs. A. E. H. Castro. The University were leading by 19-15 at one stage of this set, but their hosts drew level, after which the game was set at 5. The Varsity pair held the lead for a few minutes, but eventually lost at 22-24. The University were without the services of T. C. Lee and C. H. Soon last evening, otherwise, it is more than probable that the result would have been reversed.

St. John's deserved their win over the Chinese Recreation Club, Roland Koh, who is still troubled with the after effects of a sprained wrist, displayed brilliant form in partnership with Miss Manril Smith.

As was expected, Recreio "A" overwhelmed Recreio "B" by the maximum margin.

Recreio "B" Trounced

At King's Park last night, Recreio "A" beat Recreio "B" by nine games to nil:

M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva (Recreio "A")	21-10
beat H. A. Barros and Miss M. Ribeiro	21-10
beat A. E. Xavier and Miss S. Remedios	21-10
beat N. Beltrao and Mrs. E. da Sousa	21-6
J. J. Remedios and Miss C. Silva (Recreio "A")	21-9
beat Barros and Ribeiro	21-9
beat Xavier and Remedios	21-6
beat Beltrao and Sousa	21-14
L. A. Carvalho and Miss O. Ribeiro, Jr. (Recreio "A")	21-16
beat Barros and Ribeiro	21-16
beat Xavier and Remedios	21-7
beat Beltrao and Sousa	21-4

St. John's First Win

At the St. John's Cathedral Hall last night, the St. John's Club beat the Chinese Recreation Club by 5 games to 4:

David Kwok and Miss P. MacCaw (St. John's)	5-21
lost to S. W. Liang and Miss W. Cheung	5-21
lost to P. K. Kwok and Miss E. Perry	7-21
beat P. C. Leung and Miss M. Chunn	21-4
Roland Koh and Miss M. Smith (St. John's)	21-12
lost to Liang and Cheung	11-21
beat Kwok and Perry	21-13
beat Leung and Chunn	21-3
G. A. Smith and Mrs. Beattie (St. John's)	9-21
lost to Liang and Cheung	9-21
beat Kwok and Perry	24-21
beat Leung and Chunn	21-14

University Lose Again

At Kowloon Tong last night, the Kowloon Tong Club beat the University by 5 games to 4:

R. E. Lee and Miss M. Xavier (Kowloon Tong)	17-21
lost to P. K. Hui and Miss Ushan Khoo	17-21
beat K. L. Yang and Miss J. Choo	21-15
beat K. S. Liew and Miss J. Anderson	21-17
Henry Kew and Mrs. A. E. H. Castro (Kowloon Tong)	15-21
lost to Hui and Khoo	15-21
beat Yang and Choo	21-17
beat Liew and Anderson	24-22
N. Mackay and Miss T. Gonzalez (Kowloon Tong)	22-24
lost to Hui and Khoo	16-21
lost to Yang and Choo	22-24
beat Liew and Anderson	21-11

LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

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Recreio "A"	7	3	0	27	4-14
Free Lances	4	4	2	28	12-8
Recreio "B"	7	4	3	23	40-8
C. R. C.	4	3	1	25	11-6
Kowloon Tong	7	2	5	19	44-4
St. John's	5	1	7	16	16-4
University	3	0	3	11	16-0

RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Spoon & Practice Shoot This Afternoon

There will be a spoon and practice shoot at St. Martin's, by courtesy of the Naval Authorities, this

ATHLETIC STARS IN COLONY

Japanese Sportsmen For N. Zealand

Two famous Japanese athletes, Kohel Murakoso and Kenshi Togami, arrived in Hong Kong yesterday by the N.Y.K. steamer Kitano Maru on their way to New Zealand.

Murakoso, a middle distance runner, and Togami, hop-step-and-jump champion, are travelling at the invitation of the New Zealand Amateur Athletic Association not only to display their skill and stamina, but also to acquaint that country with things Japanese.

BILLIARDS RESULTS

CHAN WINS BY SEVEN POINTS

One of the most exciting matches in the Colony Junior Billiards Championship was seen at the Catholic Union Club last evening, when Chan Hon-shui beat F. Zimmern by the narrow margin of seven points in the first round of the competition. Neither of the players chalked up any outstanding breaks, the highest being a 26, recorded by Chan.

A very close match was also played in the same division at the Civil Service Cricket Club last night, when Wong Pun-chi beat R. G. Xavier by 300 points to 227 to enter the Second Round of the competition. Wong's highest break was a 27, whereas Xavier could not chalk up more than a 22.

NEW DREDGER FOR YANGTZE RIVER

Second Largest In The World TENDERS FROM SEVEN FIRMS

Shanghai will probably have the second largest dredger in the world, to be operated in dredging the Fairy Flats, a "North-China Daily News" representative learned in an interview with Dr. Herbert Chatley, Engineer-in-Chief of the Whangpoo Conservancy Board. The new dredger, if present plans materialise, will be 400 feet long and 62½ feet wide, and the engines will develop 7,000 horse power.

Plans for the purchase of the new dredger have been under consideration for a number of years. In 1921, the Committee of Consulting Engineers for the Shanghai Harbour Investigation recommended the Board to acquire "at least two dredgers of the most powerful type which can be operated on the Fairy Flats in a depth not exceeding eighteen feet." After many years of consideration, the Conservancy Board's project for dredging the bar of the Yangtze was approved by the Executive Yuan at the end of 1930, but owing to the troubles of 1932 there was some delay in acquiring the first dredger, the Chinese.

The project was finally settled at the end of 1932, and the first of the two new dredgers arrived in April, 1935. It has always been the intention of the Board, if the first dredger proved satisfactory, to obtain a second. The quantity of mud to be removed in order to provide a reasonably navigable channel across the Yangtze Bar, for the largest ships plying across the Pacific, at comparatively low tide is computed to be about 30,000,000 cubic yards. As a certain amount of re-silting must be expected in the Bar, a quantity of about 40,000,000 cubic yards would have to be removed in order to dredge it properly.

(Saturday) afternoon, commencing at 2 p.m. sharp. A private lunch will leave Queen's Pier at 12:45 p.m. calling at the Kowloon Public Pier at 1:25 p.m., Kowloon at 1:45 p.m., arriving at St. Martin's at 1:50 p.m. The launch will be available for the return journey on the completion of shooting.

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JAPAN'S £66,000,000 NAVAL PLANS

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Although the strictest secrecy is preserved as regards details, the general scope of the new Japanese naval programme, officially described as the "third replenishment plan," has now become known.

It provides for the largest amount of naval construction voted since 1920-21, when the "eight-eight" battleship programme, subsequently scrapped under the Washington Treaty, was adopted.

The new programme, which is to be put in hand next year, is to cost one milliard yen—approximately £66,000,000 at present rates of exchange. It includes a number of battleships—probably of 35,000 tons—aircraft-carriers, cruisers, torpedo craft, and submarines, besides many Fleet auxiliaries such as high-speed oil tankers. All this new construction is to be completed in five years.

More Aircraft

Provision is also made for a large expansion of the naval air service. In recent years 22 new squadrons have been organised, and at present the Navy controls 1,000 aircraft, including those based on coastal stations. This figure is now to be increased to 1,300 first-line machines. There are 13 naval aerodromes, including several in Korea and Formosa.

Every shipyard in Japan is now working to capacity on naval and mercantile construction, and nearly every yard is being extended in anticipation of heavier demands in the future.

Apart from the new shipbuilding and air expansion programme, the Navy has a direct interest in other big Government schemes which are being financed out of non-Service funds. These include a far-reaching scheme of extracting oil from coal, and for accumulating large reserves of imported and domestic fuel against the contingency of war, and a plan for developing the national steel and iron industry, with a view to increasing the present output by 50 per cent.

Japan is expected to make a start soon with the fortification of certain islands, including the Bonin and Amami-Oshima, which, owing to the Washington Treaty, have remained in statu quo since 1922.

Vice-Adm. Yonai has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the "Combined Fleet" in succession to Adm. Takahashi.

GERMAN REPLY TO BRITAIN

Not Expected Before Next Week

Latest advice now points to the beginning of next week as the earliest when the German reply to the British note in connection with the intervention in Spain will be made to the British Ambassador in Berlin.—Trans-Ocean.

CHINA OUT OF DEPRESSION

British Trade Expert's Opinion

COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENTS IN CHINA

Though he discounted any idea that he was a technical man, Mr. A. H. George in the address, which he delivered on "Recent Commercial Developments in China," before the British Engineers' Association in London, nevertheless gave a great deal of information, which those whom he was addressing will undoubtedly find of value.

Mr. George, who is Commercial Secretary to H. M. Embassy, was optimistic enough to hold that China has now recovered from the depression and, though the market for engineering goods is small in proportion to the population, it is all the same worth cultivating.

For instance, in the sphere of railways the Government has done much to facilitate the restoration of its credit and has also managed to build a considerable length of line. This, however, only amounts to 8,000 miles, much of which is of such light construction that it will eventually have to be replaced. In addition, schemes involving many thousands of miles have been prepared, so that the openings for British engineers are undoubtedly wide. The Government is also turning its attention to road construction.

Road Development

At present there are over 60,000 miles of road in China, but little of this mileage is properly metalled and much has been built solely for military purposes. Great efforts are therefore being made to co-ordinate matters and to bring about a development which must have a profound influence on the country's trade. In recent years considerable progress has also been made in both commercial aviation and public utility undertakings. Over 400 of the 2,000 towns in China have their electrical generating stations, and many cities are endeavouring to install modern waterworks systems. There is also a considerable amount of building on modern lines.

Industry In Infancy

Industry, on the other hand, is very much in its infancy. Though China is the largest producer of matches in the world, and there are well-established cement works and textile mills. In addition, a central machine works has been built up with government aid near Shanghai for the manufacture of tubes, bolts and nuts, galvanised sheets, castings and certain machine tools. Plans are on foot for the establishment of iron and steel works and automobile assembly plants, while there are already a large number of smaller factories turning out engines, pumps and the more common forms of electrical equipment. Nevertheless, larger quantities of goods for the equipment of factories and railways are being imported and it is essential that there should be in a position to obtain a share of this trade. Our future in China will be based on certain "selective" trade, such as high-grade steel, and the question of it is necessary that the Government should be able to supply such goods and should be capable of producing machinery for the export of which it is essential that it should be in a position to obtain a share of this trade. Our future in China will be based on certain "selective" trade, such as high-grade steel, and the question of it is necessary that the Government should be able to supply such goods and should be capable of producing machinery for the export of which it is essential that it should be in a position to obtain a share of this trade.

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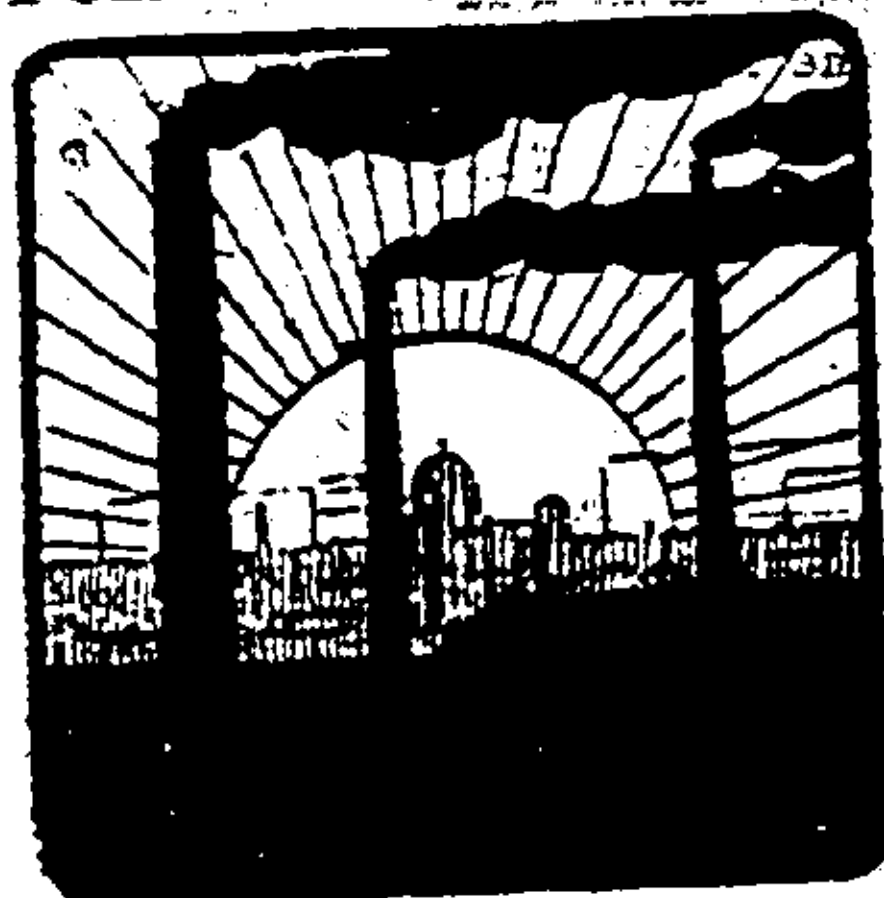
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From their view-point to-day, with intense activity prevailing in all directions, and with long-distance air routes about to be adopted as a routine method of dispatch for mails at ordinary postal rates, those engaged in aviation will be panning this month to send their congratulations to the man who was the first in the world to make a sustained, controlled flight in an engine-driven aeroplane.

It is just 33 years this month since Orville Wright rose from a launching rail and flew for 12 seconds, landing safely at the end of that brief, history-making aerial voyage without injury to himself or damage to his machine.

As an epitome of just over three decades of aerial progress it is only necessary to contrast the first tiny plane of the Wright brothers with one of the new giant air-liners which Imperial Airways are now putting into service on their Empire routes.

The machine Orville and his brother Wilbur piloted in the world's first aeroplane flights on 17th. December, 1903, was driven by an engine developing 12 horse-power. Its speed through the air was not more than 30 miles an hour. The new air-liners now coming into service on the Empire routes are driven by engines developing approximately 3,000 horse-power, and they are capable of a speed of just on 200 miles an hour.

The first Wright biplane, with its pilot, weighed a little under 1,000 lb. The new air-liners of Imperial Airways weigh, when fully-loaded, nearly 18 tons. The Wright biplane would lift into the air only one man, its pilot. The new Empire air-liners carry a normal 'payload,' including crew, of between 3½ to 4 tons.

As a final contrast to that tiny one-man plane with which aeroplane travel began, thirty-three years ago there is the fact that the spacious interiors of our latest 'liners' of the air provide smoking-rooms, promenade lounges, fully-equipped kitchens, in addition to all their luxurious day accommodation, comfortable sleeping-berths for passengers at night.

NETWORK OF AIRWAYS FOR BURMA

It is now the ambition of Irrawaddy Flotilla and Airways to establish a network of flying routes throughout Burma. A new service which has just begun operations flies between Mandalay and Rangoon and Yenangyaung and Rangoon, with several intermediate stops. In the near future it is proposed to open a service to Tavoy. The Company's scheme embraces the use of land-planes as well as aeroplanes, and many new landing-grounds are in course of preparation in various localities.

The first aero-show to be held in New York since 1936 is to be staged in the Grand Central Palace soon. Already many prospective exhibitors have reserved space. It is calculated that 250,000 people will attend the show.

It is announced that the sum allocated for improvements at the Mascot Aerodrome, Sydney, amounts to £74,000. This will be expended as follows: new aerodrome buildings, £40,000; landing-ground improvements, £30,000; night-lighting equipment, £4,000.



This 1910 Wright pusher airplane, one of the oldest in active use, gave onlookers a thrill at the All-American air races in Miami when Pilot Clarence McArthur sent it through several loops.

AIR FREIGHTS IN CANADA

Varied Load Carried
By Cargo-Plane

The variety of the loads carried by freight-planes in Canada is illustrated by a list issued the other day. It was found to include—

Dynamite	Radium concentrates
Machine parts	Steam boilers
Cement	Fire-bricks
Tents	Canoes
Paraffin	Traps
Rifles	Harness
Fur	Barbed wire
Dogs	Pigs

Not long ago a pilot of one of the big Canadian freight-planes was asked if he could take a team of oxen by air for a distance of about 140 miles from one station to another. He said he would comply, and the trip was actually accomplished by tying the feet of the oxen together with stout rope, and then wrapping the animals in heavy canvas. In this fashion it was found possible to get them into the hold of the air-freighter, and transported one at a time, they made the air journey without mishap.

NEW BRIDGE IN NANCHANG

\$967,000 Structure
Named After Chiang

Marking another engineering feat in Kiangsi, the Chung Cheng Bridge, spanning the Kan River at Nanchang, was recently completed and formally thrown open to traffic.

Named after Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek whose courtesy name is Chung Cheng, the Bridge was constructed at a total cost of \$967,000. It is 3,535 feet long and 26 feet wide with 18 arches. Its piers are of cement concrete, while the surface and the beams of strong pine wood. In the middle is a passage for motor traffic, being flanked on both sides by sidewalks for pedestrians.

The suggestion for the construction of a gigantic bridge across the Kan River to facilitate traffic between Nanchang and Niuhsing situated on opposite banks was made by General Hsiung Shih-hui Chairman of the Kiangsi Provincial Government, in 1934 after the extermination of the communist bandits in Kiangsi. Construction was started on Dec. 20, 1934 and finished at the end of last year.

Great significance is attached to



Juan de la Cierva, above, devoted his life to safety in aviation. At top is shown his first autogyro, at bottom his latest, the wingless Cierva was killed when a Dutch airliner crashed near Croydon and took 14 lives.

FIGHTING FOREST FIRES BY AIR

In America and Canada plans are now being developed for improved systems whereby aeroplanes and wireless can be employed in fighting forest fires. New ground equipment is being provided, and fresh methods introduced for still further increasing the efficiency of the aeroplane as a fire-fighting machine. The Forest Service is to experiment with dropping chemicals on to small fires to hold them in check till ground crews can reach the danger zones. Bombs, too, are to be dropped from the air on small fires, the idea being that they will scatter enough earth on the flames to check them until the arrival of the fire-fighting crews.

the completion of the bridge. In the first place, it is pointed out, it facilitates communication across the Kan River and tends to boost commerce in Nanchang and Niuhsing. In the second place, it links up the Nanchang-Kinkiang Railway, the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway and the projected Kiangsi-Hunan Railway. In the third place, it forms an indispensable link in the network of inter-provincial highways of Kiangsi, Chekiang, Anhwei, Kiangsi, Hupeh, Hunan, Hozan and Fukien.

H.K. VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, Orders by Lieut. Colonel R. C. B. Anderson, M.C. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Hong Kong
Friday, 22nd January, 1937

PROMOTIONS

His Excellency, the Governor, has been pleased to approve the following promotions in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps with effect from 22nd January, 1937.

Lance Sergeant JOHN WATSON to be Second Lieutenant.
Bombardier GEORGE FREDERICK REES to be Second Lieutenant.

CORPS ORDERS AMENDMENTS

Reference Corps Orders No. 52/36 dated 31.12.36.

Para 7 "Strength."

The enrolment of Pte. V. J. S. Gravel is hereby cancelled.

PARADES

1st Battery

A Section

Parade at Belchers Fort on Thursday, January 28th, at 6 p.m.

Dress—Overalls, blue caps, and gun-platform shoes.

Stonecutters Range has been allotted to the Battery on Sunday, 31st January.

L Section

Section will parade at Belchers Fort on Friday 29th. Instants at 5.45 p.m.

Dress—Blue caps, overalls and gun-platform shoes.

M Section

Wednesday, 27th January. Parade in H.M.S. "TAMAR" at 5.30 p.m.

Corps Engineers

Monday, 25th January. Miniature Range.

Thursday, 28th January. D.E.L. Training, Belchers Fort at 6 p.m.

Sunday, 31st January. Classification and Company Shoot, Stonecutters. Further details later.

Corps Signals

Parade at Corps H. Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 26th January.

M. G. Troop

Tuesday, 26th January. Parade at Corps H. Q. at 5.30 p.m. B and C Classes—T.O.E.D. up to and including action.

Armoured Car Section

Section will parade at H. Q. on Tuesday, 26th January, at 5.30 p.m. for Crew Drill and Driving Instruction.

Overalls must be worn.

Motor M. G. Section

Monday, 25th January. Parade at Corps H. Q. at 5.30 p.m.

B Class—Instruction on Instruments.

C Class—I. A. Cause and Effect.

No. 1 (M. G.) Company

Sunday, 24th January. Stonecutters Range.

Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8.20 a.m. Kowloon Pier at 8.30 a.m.

Range Officer—2/Lt. L. B. Holmes.

Friday, 29th January. Parade at Corps H. Q. at 5.30 p.m. for M. G. Instruction.

No. 2 (Scottish) Company

Sunday, 24th January. Stonecutters Range.

Launch leaves Queen's Pier 8.20 a.m. and Kowloon Pier 8.30 a.m.

Thursday, 28th January. Parade at 5.30 p.m.

B Class—Instruction on Instruments.

C1 Class—I. A. Cause and Effect.

C2 Class—Mechanism 1st four subheads.

No. 3 (M. G.) Company

Parade at Corps H. Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, January 25th, as under.

Squads Nos. 1 and 2—Fire orders.

Squads Nos. 9 to 10—I. A. Squads Nos. 11 and 12—E.G.D. M. G. Bn. Signals.

Wednesday, 27th January. Subsections A, B and C parade for instruction at 5.30 p.m. A full turn out is requested.

Friday, 29th January. Subsection D parades for instruction at 5.30 p.m.

Sunday, 31st January. Subsection A, B and C will fire their Musketry Course at Stonecutters. Details will be given later.

Corps Infantry

Parade at Corps H. Q. at 5.30 on Tuesday, 26th January.

A Company

A.A.I.M.G. Training, Corps H. Q. 1 Reg. N. C. O.

I. A. Stoppages, Corps H. Q. Sgt. Britta, Sgt. Ribeiro.

Recruits, Firing at Miniature Range, Miniature Range, Lt. Sequeira, Sgt. Balero.

A.A.I.M.G. Training, Corps H. Q. 1 Reg. N. C. O.

Examination—No. 2402 Pte. R. M. Silva, No. 10 Platoon passed the examination for Corporals on January, 19th.

Stonecutters Range—This Range has been allotted to Corps Infantry on the following dates—

February, 7th, 21st and 28th. Details will be issued later.

Members of Corps Infantry will please keep these dates OPEN.

PARADES

Air Arm

Tuesday, 26th January. Parade at Kai Tak at 5.30 p.m.

Medical Section

Lecture on Gas Warfare. Parade at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 25th January in the Lecture Room at Headquarters.

R.O.D.C.—Construction Section Thursday, 28th January. Parade at Corps H. Q. at 5.30 p.m. for instruction in Anti-Gas Measures.

PROMOTIONS

The following promotions are made in the M Section, 1st Battery, with effect from 22nd January, 1937.

No. 1515 Gunner C. E. Moore to be Battery Sergeant Major.

No. 2692 Gunner J. S. Beach to be Battery Quartermaster Sergeant.

No. 2667 Gunner H. H. Rose to be Sergeant.

No. 2672 Gunner J. Hunter to be Sergeant.

No. 2051 Bomdr. A. J. MacFayden remains Bombardier.

No. 2674 Gunner A. A. Andrews to be Lance Bombardier.

No. 640 Bdr. H. T. Burton, A Section, 1st Battery, is promoted Lance Sergeant w.e.f. 22.1.37.

No. 2402 Pte. R. M. Silva, No. 10 Platoon, Corps Infantry, is appointed Lance Corporal w.e.f. 19.1.37.

TRANSFER

No. 1990 Spr. D. Orr is transferred from Corps Engineers to United Reserve w.e.f. 18.1.37.

No. 2645 Gnr. W. J. D. Roberts is transferred from Unit Reserve to A Section, 1st Battery.

LEAVE

No. 2725 Pte. J. Gardner, M.M.G. Section, is granted 3 weeks' leave from 4.2.37 to 25.2.37.

STRENGTH

No. 2735 Trooper, L. J. A. Feilden, H.K. & S. Bank, 30221, M.G. Troop, 19.1.37.

No. 2736 Trooper Ian Kinloch, H.K. & S. Bank, 30221, M.G. Troop, 19.1.37.

G. S. FRIZZLE

Captain,

Adjutant, H.K.Y.D. Corps.

NOTICE

Rifle Club Committee

There will be a meeting of the Rifle Club Committee in the Commandants Office on 25th of January, at 5.30 p.m., each unit commander to send one representative.

Athletic Sports Committee

There will be a meeting of the Athletic Sports Committee, on Monday, 1st of February, in the Lecture Room at 5.30 p.m., each unit commander to send one representative.

AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment, H.K.Y.D.C.

Lecture on Gas Warfare.

Parade at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 25th January in the Lecture Room at Corps Headquarters.

Resignation

Mrs. M. H. Wright w.e.f. 22.1.37.

Mrs. M. E. Oliver w.e.f. 22.1.37.

Mrs. A. M. Morris w.e.f. 22.1.37.

Miss S. M. H. Morris w.e.f. 22.1.37.

Miss V. Morris w.e.f. 22.1.37.

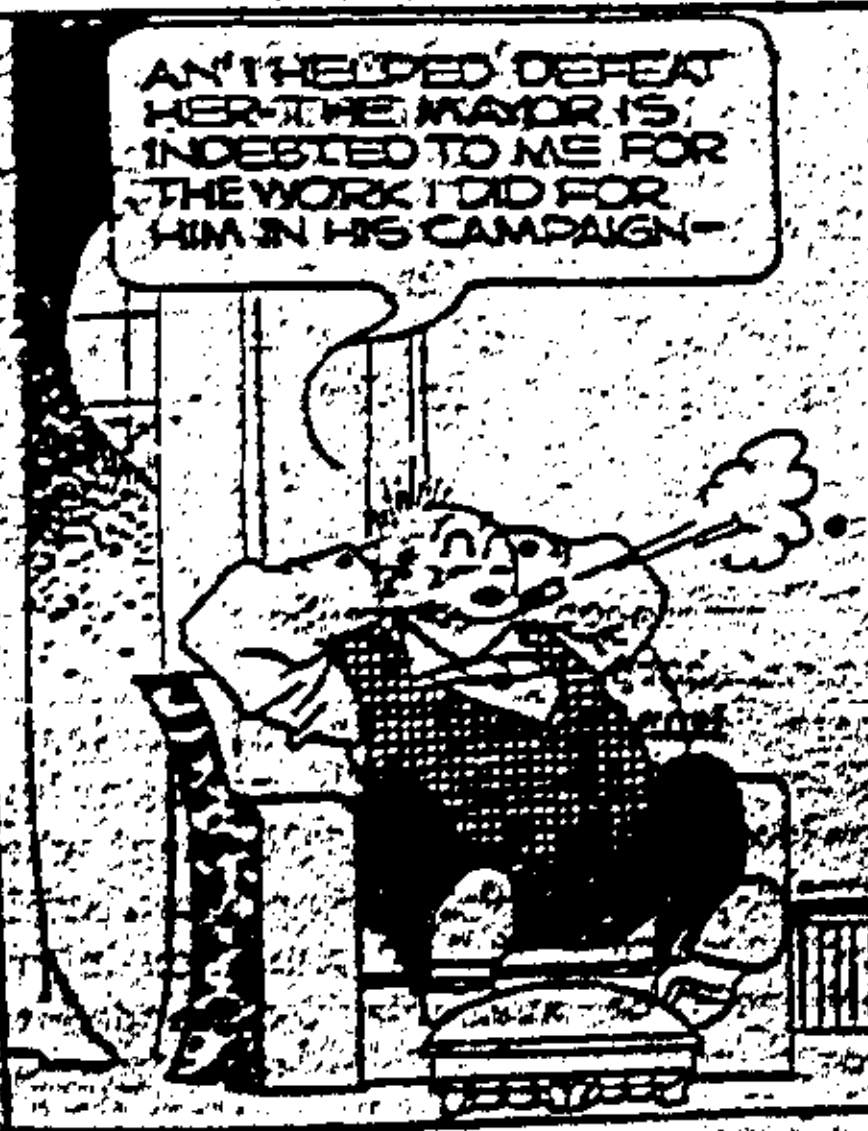
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HEADMASTER CRITICS OF SCHOOL
CERTIFICATE

COMPLAINT OF "CRAMPING" SYSTEM

The present examination sys-
 tem, particularly in relation to
 the awarding of School Certificates,
 was criticised by headmasters of
 public schools at the Headmasters'
 Conference, at Ampleforth College,
 Yorks. The conference was at-
 tended by more than 100 head-
 masters.

Dr. Terry Thomas, of Leeds
 Grammar School, on behalf of the
 committee, introduced a series of
 resolutions calling for modification
 of the method of awarding the
 School Certificate.

The first proposal he put
 forward was that the certificate should
 record in each subject the stand-
 ard of success attained by the can-
 didate. Dr. John Bell, St. Paul's
 School, seconded this resolution.

Mr. R. B. Henderson, of Al-
 leys' School, Dulwich, moved an amend-
 ment proposing the abolition of a
 certificate for success in the first
 School Certificate examination and
 the substitution of a certified re-
 cord showing the standard—credit
 or pass—reached in all subjects
 offered for examination.

"Progress Impeded"
 Most people, he said, did not
 realise the tremendous difficulties
 under which the great majority of
 schools were working. The present
 system was cramping their
 progress in every direction. The
 very ideals for which they stood
 were in daily jeopardy because they
 were hampered at every turn by
 the School Certificate examina-
 tion.

"I do not mind," Mr. Henderson
 continued, "risking what little re-
 putation I have left for sanity by
 declaring my firm belief that we
 would be very much better without
 this examination altogether."

"It has been thrust upon us
 without, so far as I am aware,
 either medical men or psychologists
 being consulted. I very much
 doubt the wisdom of forcing boys
 at a time when they are passing
 through great physical and mental
 changes.

"The examination does not in-
 clude the whole of our education,
 but only part of it. If we sub-
 stitute a record for the certificate
 a great deal of the evils would
 disappear. As it is, the very
 ideals for which we stand are
 hampered at every turn by an
 examination which only takes ac-
 count of a small part of what we
 are doing."

Mr. R. Birley, of Charterhouse,
 said that there was a danger in
 having a record of failures. It
 did not seem to him worth re-
 cording simply that a subject had
 been studied.

He suggested that they should
 be very careful before asking that
 the School Certificate should tell
 too much about a boy, and that
 they should be particularly careful
 about any record of failure.

The amendment was defeated.

The resolution was carried by
 a large majority.

Dr. Thomas moved a second re-
 solution calling for a modification
 of the present group system—
 English, languages, mathematics
 and practical subjects, such as
 music, art, and drawing.

"Flogging" Candidates
 He said that the present system
 led to the flogging of candidates—
 not in a literal sense—and pushing
 them unduly. It was based on the
 ideas of 1917, and one effect was
 to cause a generally low standard.

Secondary schools had to pro-
 vide a balanced curriculum. The
 point upon which many differed
 was as to where the fulcrum should
 be. There was a tendency for
 secondary schoolboys to adopt a
 black coat profession.

If adequate weight were given
 to practical subjects there would
 be a tendency for more boys to go
 in for practical avocations, which
 was what the country required to-
 day.

Dr. Bell said it would be a great
 gain to education in general if
 greater weight were given to prac-
 tical subjects than was the case at
 the present time. Modification of
 the group system would lead to an
 improvement which was very de-
 sirable.

The resolution was carried by a
 large majority.

Mr. J. T. Christie, of Repton,
 moved that a candidate who failed
 in one subject should be allowed
 to take that subject alone at a
 later examination. This would re-
 medy the hard case of a boy who
 had one weak subject.

There was nothing more dead-
 ening or uneducative than for a
 boy to have to keep all subjects up
 to boiling point simply because he
 was weak in one. Mr. W. R.
 Booth, of Dulwich College, se-
 conded.

"The Pedestrian" Candidate
 Mr. G. C. Turner, of Marl-
 borough, moved an amendment
 that a candidate who obtained five
 passes with credit in the School
 Certificate examination, and did
 not obtain a certificate because of
 failure in one group should be al-
 lowed to take the subject at a later
 date, and if successful be given a
 School Certificate.

He thought that the original
 motion made the School Certificate
 examination too easy.

Mr. F. R. Dale, City of London
 School, deprecated making the
 world safe for what was some-
 times called the pedestrian candi-
 date. A great deal of the work
 in the schools, probably the most
 valuable part of it, was not ex-
 aminable.

It was a great boon and bless-
 ing to take subsidiary subjects
 without bothering whether a boy
 passed in them or not.
 The amendment was carried by
 a large majority.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE
LESSON SERMON

SUBJECT: "TRUTH"

The subject of the Lesson Ser-
 mon in all churches of Christ,
 Scientist, to-morrow, January 24,
 will be: "Truth."

The Golden Text will be: "The
 Lord is good; his mercy is ever-
 lasting; and his truth endureth to
 all generations." (Psalms 100:5).

Among others, the following ci-
 tations from the Bible will be
 read: "The heavens declare the
 glory of God; and the firmament
 sheweth his handiwork. Day unto
 day uttereth speech, and night
 unto night sheweth knowledge.

There is no speech nor language,
 where their voice is not heard.
 And after these things I heard a
 great voice of much people in
 heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salva-
 tion, and glory, and honour, and
 power, unto the Lord our God:

for, true and righteous are his
 judgements; and a voice came out
 of the throne, saying, Praise our
 God, all ye his servants, and ye
 that fear him; both small and
 great. And I heard as it were the
 voice of a great multitude, and as
 the voice of many waters, and as
 the voice of mighty thunderings,

saying, Alleluia, for the Lord God
 omnipotent reigneth. Let us be-
 glad and rejoice, and give honour
 to him." (Ps. 19:1, —3, Rev. 19:1,
 2, 6-7).

The Lesson Sermon will also in-
 clude the following passages from
 the Christian Science Textbook:
 "Science and Health with Key to
 the Scriptures" by Mary Baker
 Eddy: "The Chaldean Wisemen
 read in the stars the fate of em-
 pires and the fortunes of men.
 Though no higher revelation was
 than the horoscope was to them
 displayed upon the empyrean,
 earth and heaven were bright, and
 bird and blossom were glad in
 God's perennial and happy sun-
 shine, golden with Truth. The
 earth's diurnal rotation is invis-
 ible to the physical eye, and the
 sun seems to move from east to
 west, instead of the earth from
 west to east. Until rebuked by
 clearer views of the everlasting
 facts, this false testimony of the
 eye deluded the judgment and in-
 duced false conclusions. The evi-
 dence of the physical senses often
 reverses the real Science of being,
 and so creates a reign of discord,
 —assigning, seeming power to
 sin, sickness, and death; but the
 great facts of Life, rightly under-
 stood, defeat this triad of errors,
 contradict their false witnessess,
 and reveal the kingdom of heaven,
 —the actual reign of harmony
 on earth. Science reverses the
 false testimony of the physical
 senses, and by this reversal mor-
 tals arrive at the fundamental
 facts of being. The facts of di-
 vine Science should be admitted,
 —although the evidence as to
 these facts is not supported by
 evil, by matter, or by material
 sense, —because the evidence
 that God and man coexist is fully
 sustained by spiritual sense. Man
 is, and forever has been, God's re-
 flection. God is infinite, there-
 fore ever present, and there is no
 other power nor presence. Hence
 the spirituality of the universe is
 the only fact of creation. (Pages
 121, 122, 120, 471).

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 tist, Hong Kong, a Branch of The
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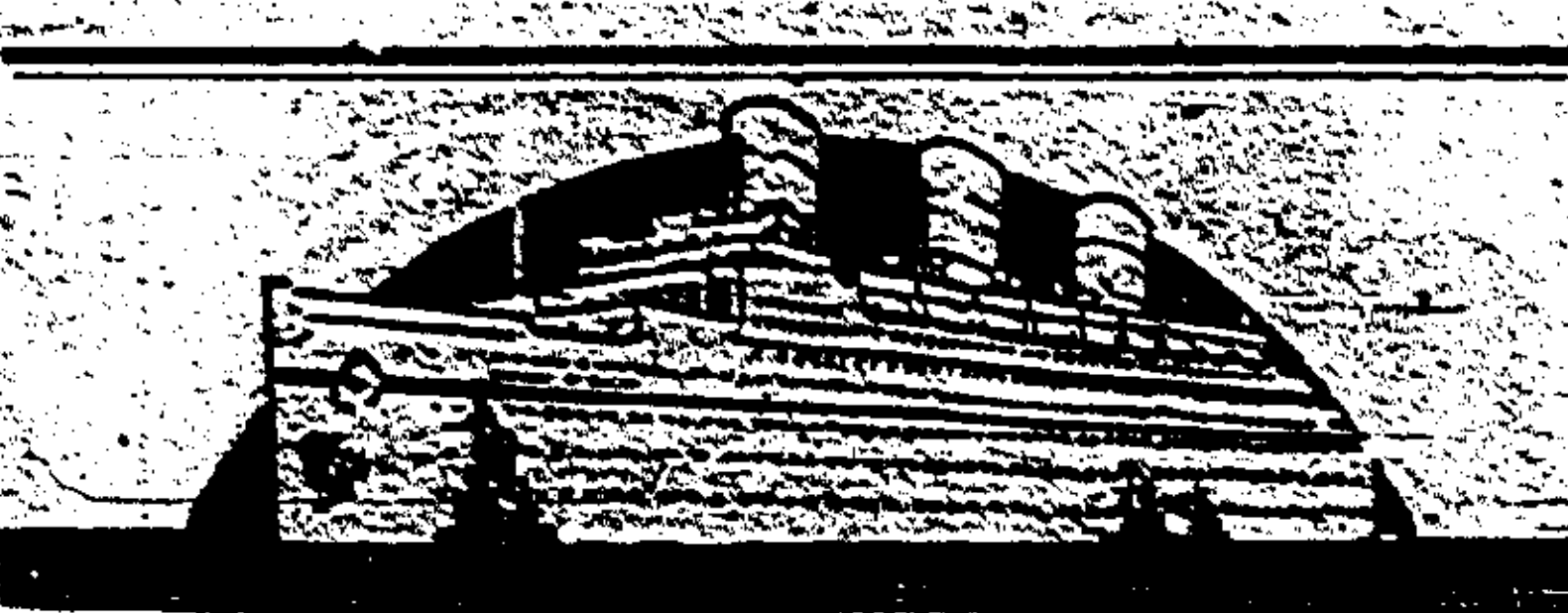
tion in this city.
 The Mayor admitted that there
 are several thousand women of
 ill-fame in Nanking, adding that
 they will be rounded up and
 placed in reformatories where
 they will be given special training.

It is understood, however, that
 the order of the Bureau of Social
 Affairs applies only to schools of
 the secondary grade, as local col-
 leges and universities come under
 the jurisdiction of the Ministry of
 Education.

Another sequel to the mayor's
 avowed anti-dancing move has
 been an order received by the Me-
 tropolitan Police Headquarters
 from General Chiang Tso-pin,
 Minister of Interior. The order
 says that all dancing conducted
 with a view to profit-making
 should be stopped effective from
 yesterday.

The ban thus imposed on public
 dancing in Nanking has been sub-
 ject of considerable comment in
 local Chinese newspapers. In these
 columns, dancing is dubbed as an
 evil quite comparable to prostitu-
 tion, and those contemplating
 opening cabarets in the Capital, it
 is argued, will have no better
 chance for success than agitators
 clamouring for the cancellation of
 the ban on prostitution in Nan-
 king.

In a press interview Mayor Ma
 declared that the Municipal au-
 thorities were determined to con-
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